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WE RAISED THE NATO BUDGETS COST SHARING FORMULAE WITH ADMIRAL STEINHAUS (CHIEF, MOD PLANNING STAFF) AND HARTMANN (DEPUTY CHIEF, FONOFF NATO SECTION) ALONG LINES OF STATE 27904 BOTH HARTMANN AND STEINHAUS WERE KNOWLEDGEABLE ABOUT AND SYMPATHETIC TO THE US POSITION WHICH AMBASSADOR RUMSFELD HAD EARLIER PRESENTED IN THE NAC, AND THEY PROMISED TO GIVE SYMPATHETIC CONSIDERATION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO OUR PROPOSALS ON BOTH THE INFRASTRUCTURE AND CIVIL MILITARY BUDGET MATTERS. THEY POINTED OUT, HOWEVER, THAT THE FRG GOVERNMENT POSITION ON THE COST SHARING FORMULAE HAS GENERALLY BEEN CONTINGENT ON OTHER ALLIES ASSUMING A LARGER SHARE OF THE BUDGETS AND OUR PROPOSALS MAY, THEREFORE, REQUIRE HIGH LEVEL GOVERNMENT CONSIDERATION. BOTH RECOGNIZED THE POLITICAL SENSITIVITY OF THE
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CONGRESSIONAL ASPECT OF THE PROBLEM AND PROMISED EARLY

CONSIDERATION OF OUR PROPOSALS.

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